

WIT AND WISDOM.

A GENTLEMAN waited upon Jerrold one morning to enlist his sympathies in behalf of a mutual friend who was in want of a round sum of money. But this mutual friend had no money. On that occasion the gentleman's brethren on the boat were not more than one occasion. Mr. X's bat was becoming an institution, and his friends were grieved at the indelicacy of the proceeding. On this occasion the gentleman who the bat was received by Jerrold with evident dissatisfaction. "Well," said he, "how much does X want this time?" "Why, just a couple of hundred dollars," said the gentleman straight, the bearer replied. "Well put me down for one of the naughts, said Jerrold."

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Corn Canning.

The corn canning business is comparatively a new enterprise in this town. Last year was the first season in the canning history of our place. The buildings which are situated less than a quarter of a mile from the village, on the Frost Corner road were built last year. There are four of them having ample yard room and are well supplied with water from the Lake. The first season's experience in this industry was not satisfactory to the farmers. Many of them lost what they were to receive for their corn, by the failure of the J. W. Jones Packing Co. This year the business is conducted by the Winslow Packing Co. and all bills are honored with cash down on presentation to the clerk and cashier, Mr. Henry T. Merrill. The farmer can get his money as fast as his corn is weighed up.

This factory is one of the fifteen, which are being operated by the Winslow Packing Co. This firm, in Oxford County operates factories in Hiram, Canton, Buckfield and this town. There are others run by different parties, one each in Paris, Bethel, Ramford, Fryeburg, Denmark, as well as at Bridgton and Harrison, which are out of the county, but are supplied in fact with corn raised in Oxford Co. One can see that sweet corn raising is a big thing with our farmers. It is the great crop and brings them in many a dollar. To what extent the sale of this crop will impoverish their land is an open question.

The Norway factory or canning establishment during the season presents a very busy appearance. Our reporter recently visited it and in conversation with Mr. Benj. Tucker, Superintendent at the factory, gained some facts which may be of interest to our readers.

The corn is hauled to the "yard" by the farmers and some thirty persons are kept husking. They have five cents a basket for husking. The "yard" is under the charge of Mr. C. W. Ryerson. The husks and cobs are reserved and hauled home and fed out by the farmers who sell the corn.

Mr. George E. Gibson is inspector of the fields and sees that the corn is cut at the proper time and that the "yard" is kept supplied. He visits each piece and sees to it that the corn is just right before it is cut.

The corn after being husked is carried into the cutting room and there passes through the machines that strip it from the cob. There it is sifted and ready to be pressed into the cans. Each can is carefully weighed and is then sent to the sealing room. This department is under the charge of Mr. W. S. Hazen of Bridgton.

In the sealing room Mr. Thaddeus Cross has charge and sees that the work is properly done. The same gentleman has charge of making the cans. It requires a dozen or more hands several months to make the cans used in a single season.

The cans then go to the bath room and are boiled and pricked and re-boiled. Each can after it is once boiled is pricked and the steam let off and then re-sealed and again boiled. Mr. J. S. Carver of Camden, here has charge.

The cans after coming from the bath are cooled by the use of cold water and then they are ready for the packing room, where they are labeled, and packed, two dozen in a box and then they are ready for the market.

Mr. C. B. Cummings has taken the contract to furnish 10,000 boxes. The canning season for corn is about six weeks and the average number employed is 125 hands and the average of pay is \$1.50 a piece per day. Pumpkins and apples will be canned this year, the same as last, if any of the former can be had. The pumpkin crop is very light and it is doubtful if any can be got. Considerable business is expected to be done in apples.

There were some rising 150 acres of corn planted in this section to supply this factory. The farmer gets 34 cents per cap of 26 ounces. The average yield nets about \$50 per acre. Some yields overruns this considerably. An acre's planting has produced corn enough to fill from 2500 to 3000 cans. This is considerably above the average, however. Three varieties of corn are planted early, medium and late, and the amount planted is proportioned with a view of making the coming season hold out as long as possible.

The following are among our best planters of sweet corn: Mr. Benj. Tucker planted 10 acres; F. A. Danforth 5; E. A. Cox 4; G. W. Russell 4; N. W. Millett 3 and R. S. Freeman 6. There are 123 others who planted from 3 to 8 acres.

The Winslow Packing Co. offers a

prize of \$15. For the best acre of corn and \$10. For the best three acres raised by any one man. Mr. F. A. Danforth, Calvin Richardson and Benj. Tucker have entered for the premium.

The number of acres of beans planted is less than ten. Not over half the usual crop will be harvested here.

The medium and late corn seems to be more than an average yield while the earlier varieties were lighter than last year. Some 250,000 cans will be filled here.

SUPREME JUDICIAL COURT.

SEPTEMBER TERM.

Hon. C. W. WALTON, Justice.

James S. Wright, Clerk.

Miss Abbie Pulsifer, Reporter.

William Douglass, Sheriff.

W. A. Barrows, Messenger.

The September term of Court begun last Tuesday.

A new Grand Jury has been summoned as follows:

GRAND JURY.

Albany—Ebenzer S. Hutchinson.

Andover—F. A. Cushman.

Bethel—Hiram H. Bean.

Buckfield—Gideon W. Hammond.

Fryeburg—Otis Warren.

Greenwood—Abner C. Libbey.

Hebron—Aaron S. Cobb.

Hiram—Joseph M. Edgcomb.

Norway—Joseph E. Long.

Paris—Hannibal G. Brown.

Peru—Charles J. Tracy.

Porter—Frank Lord.

Ramford—M. N. Larkin.

Summer—George G. Spaulding.

Sweden—Charles B. Hamlin.

Waterford—David G. Pridie.

TRAVERSE JURY.

Andover—Harvey L. Newton.

Bethel—C. S. Edwards, Pinckney Burnham.

Buckfield—William Chase.

Brownfield—Harville A. Wentworth.

Byron—Francis E. Knapp.

Denmark—Charlton H. Warren.

Dixfield—S. S. Whitney.

Fryeburg—Andrew H. Evans.

Hartford—Lewis B. Reed.

Hebron—Henry C. Howard.

Hiram—E. L. Allen.

Lovell—Sumner Kimball.

Mason—Fletcher I. Bean.

Norway—Justin W. Everett Edwin A. Cox.

Oxford—Walter E. Holmes.

Paris—Henry E. Hammond, Ordessa M. Bowker.

Porter—Isaac B. Sawyer.

Ramford—Henry M. Abbott.

Stow—Josiah B. Abbott.

Summer—Henry H. Maxim.

Upton—Silas F. Peaslee.

Waterford—Justin E. McIntire.

Woodstock—Ansel Dudley.

Sweden.

The people in this vicinity appear very grateful for the timely and refreshing rain, and they ought to be for it has so changed the face of everything that it seems almost impossible that these woods and fields can be the same we looked upon a week ago. And everybody is thankful that election is over, the one party because they are certain now of victory, and the other because all anxiety about the result is gone. And the vanquished party also console themselves with the knowledge that all, except salary men and a few of their friends, are in the same boat and must share alike in the good or ill the ruling party brings in State government. So all settle down to look for the main chance in quietness together. The election gave us further pleasure for it brought home some of the wanderers for a few days, among whom were Frank N. Brown, Thomas Kendall and Johnnie Ames. And having a chance to greet the wanderers again is really one of the nicest things connected with an election.

Our people generally very industrious only a few idlers in town and they are not constitutionally, their drouling coming from force of habit.

The cranberry pickers are busy now on all sides of Pickering pond, and the berries are plenty and nice.

Mr. Alonzo Smith must go to Portland on election day and consequently could not come to the polls. How his patriotic heart must have burned within him while he traveled on his lonely way.

There are five teams hauling staves from the Bennett mill to Harrison. The teamsters are C. W. Bennett, C. O. Brown, Fred D. Hosmer, Clarence Bennett and Annie Brown. They go to the top of Hard-scrabble, 4 miles from home for another load to Harrison 7 miles. This is a hard day's work but can be done.

What is the difference between freight and cargo? A horse-car conductor says the passengers make the freight, and the horse makes the cargo.

There is a difference in engagements; for in a naval engagement the fighting takes place at once, but in matrimony the fighting occurs some time after the engagement.

Col. Ingersoll says his speech in the star route trial is the last he will ever make to a jury.

The bottom has felt out of the war in Egypt. Arabi Pasha has surrendered to the British forces and the war is at a close.

In Kennebec county potatoes are now selling to the starvel factories as low as 25 cents per bushel, and 15 cents for small ones. Some farmers raise as high as 10,000 bushels. The roads are full of potato-laden teams. One gentleman in Kennebec county has bought six car loads. It is thought by the new railroad management (tariffs will be reduced so that Aroostook potatoes can get an outlet.

Waterford.

An old lady, Mrs. Jos. Hale, about 75 or 80 years, living here, has been poorly this summer, now losing her mind, forgetful, will not think to do the common duties unless reminded. Has always been hard working.

We are to have an exhibition—Scripture with views, in the interest of our S. S. at the church to-morrow night. Dr. Perkins of Bridgton shows them.

Superintendent of schools, Rev. J. S. Richards has introduced a very acceptable course of study for the schools in our town. The course has been prepared with great care and is just what every town should have. The law requires that the officers of schools shall "direct the general course of instruction and it can be done in no better way than by the printed formula introduced in this town. We do not claim neither does its author that it is perfect but it is something that is needed and is a step in the right direction. We notice that the teachers are requested "to suggest to the supervisor, in writing, any improvement which may seem good to them and after a trial the course a fair trial and when the pupil has once mastered it we dare say he will have a good common school education.

South Waterford.

We are enjoying at present a "spell of weather" with its variations. No birds on death is being recorded.

F. P. Horr will commence to evaporate next week, he wants your apples gentlemen.

Mr. James S. Grant is convalescent. Supt. Billings of the Pullman Car Co. is in town.

Wane Monroe is conductor on a pullman from South Paris to Montreal.

Mrs. Maria Houghton is confined to her bed from a very serious cold.

Mrs. Mary Briggs of Pittsburgh is visiting her parents, Hon. J. C. Gerry.

Mr. F. A. Noble has returned.

Mrs. Addie Billings has gone to her home in New York.

Mr. J. O. Longley gives the boss. He has a "side hill" piece of corn, after it came up he anticipated a visit from Mr. Grow and was not disappointed and setting a trap he soon had the little gentleman, and making an example of him, by giving him an elevated position in the field. It ended the crop business but not the "varmint's." The result of Mr. Longley's experience in the trapping business is one crow, 2 chipmunks, 9 skunks, 5 wood chuck and 2 coons, all in one trap. Mr. Longley weeps not for the lives of these beautiful creatures but for his trap.

He expects a big bear must have put in an appearance and gobbling up the trap. Mr. Longley takes in his corn now nights.

The great event of the past week was the celebration of the twentieth anniversary of wedded life by Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Ayer. Friday, Sept. 15th, by a China and Linen Wedding, 100 friends were present. The presents were many and valuable. Besides the many individual presents, a most elegant silver case basket with china cups was presented by the Norway Bethel Church and Ladies Aid, also a beautiful and valuable china tea set was presented by their many village friends together with many other presents too numerous to mention, for all of which the receivers will always remember the donors with love and respect. The occasion was made doubly pleasant by a real marriage between Mr. Emerson of Canton, Mass., and Mrs. M. A. Black of Lynn, an aunt of E. W. Ayer. A grand surprise to all except the minister. We would be pleased to give all the particulars of the occasion but time and space forbid at present. Mr. S. H. Hicks acted as caterer. Mrs. J. A. Sibley of New York as master of ceremonies, with E. H. Brown of Norway, president of the occasion. All passed off lovely as the "Marriage Bell."

Bethel.

Mr. E. Richardson & Son are shingling at the mill. They have been running the mill, it cost prices without license, and thereby exposing themselves to whatever damage might occur from fire or other causes. This summer they have tried to obtain a license and the Selectmen have been in session several times considering it without coming to any decision about it. They want the mill moved back from the street, but Mr. Richardson says he has no much to do with it. We hope the authorities of Bethel will not drive this concern out of town, for it has been a great benefit to a large part of our people, and has done a thriving business for many years.

The bane of Bethel has been to shut out enterprise, by a few of the old fogies, and there is not much hope for a lively business here of any kind until these old dead heads go to the land of silence and give place to the new element of enterprise.

Camp meeting at Middle Intervale closed Monday night after an interesting session, though rainy and windy and cold a large part of the time. We hope much good may grow out of these meetings, for we need all the good influences possible to counteract the current evils.

The ladies sewing circle of the First Congregational Society will hold a Japanese festival in Pattee's Hall this (Monday) evening. Object, to repair their vestry, which sadly needs this effort. These ladies are very spirited and enterprising, and have done and are doing many good things for Bethel.

Crops in this town are more than an average, except perhaps where sandy ridges occur. Good hay crop, good grain crop and potatoes to give the hearts of our farmers—prosperity is the word and blessing everywhere.

Paris Hill.

The potato crop is light.

E. L. Parris, esq., and family have returned to New York.

Will Perham rode 80 miles in a day and a half on his bicycle last week.

Porter.

Accept thanks for specimen copies of the ADVERTISER. The coming of the paper seemed like the return of an old acquaintance. It is a "cooler" little sheet and brim full of news. We are much pleased with it for we like to get the home news and while we are anxious to hear from different parts of the country, perhaps there are others who would like to hear from us this way. We live in a very quiet industrious place but not a very newsy one. Sometimes a breeze of news will blow in from some adjoining neighborhood, and make a little ripple among us for a short time. Sometimes an event will occur in our own vicinity, which will furnish food for chat and gossip for a number of days. Such things as do happen among us, that are worth recording, we will cheerfully exchange through the columns of the ADVERTISER.

Andrew McDonald, a farmer in this town, died quite suddenly on the 4th of this month. He had been in poor health for some time. Saturday morning the 2d inst., he had a paralytic shock from which he did not rally.

We had a slight frost on the low land Saturday night the 16th inst.

Mrs. Charles K. Garland has a brand new baby—a daughter.

Miss Etta J. Colcord has learned the "tailor system" of cutting dresses, and now holds herself in readiness to give the ladies of this vicinity "particular fits."

Andover.

One might almost think it summer again from the frequency of thunder showers.

The telephone line was broken down in several places during the shower last Thursday night.

Mrs. Cole of Buckfield is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Geo. Gregg of this place.

Bears are raiding on the sheep and apples on some localities.

Work is rapidly progressing on the new steam mill. The boiler arrived today.

Mr. J. L. Bailey has returned to Lowell.

One of the prettiest things we have seen in the floral line this summer is a sun flower having thirty blossoms, upon it ranging from 4 to 10 inches across. The stalk is 7 feet high and has branches terminating in flowers all the way from base to top.

The gale Saturday did considerable damage to orchards, fences, etc.

Quite a large delegation of our people propose to visit the State Fair next week.

Fishing is said to be good at the lakes.

The new bridge at Happy Hollow is completed.

Farmers are cutting corn, pulling beans and digging potatoes. The corn and bean crop is good. Some fields of potatoes are very well while in others the yield is light.

Several first-class farms in this place are being offered, at advantageous terms.

A son of Mr. Greenleaf Averill has been quite sick, with typhoid fever, but is now improving.

The justly popular Andover House receives a large share of the patronage.

Albany.

One of our prominent and respected citizens, Mr. Herman Cummings, died 14th inst., of congestion of the lungs, aged 71 years. He leaves a wife, nine children, and a large circle of relatives to mourn his loss. His brother, John Cummings, ninety years old was able to be at the State election and cast his vote for "farmer Robie" and others of his faith on our regular ballot. He has always been an earnest Republican.

He remarked that he was casting his last vote, and it will probably prove so, as he is now very sick. His daughter, Mrs. Atkinson of San Francisco, Cal., who is spending the summer with him received an electric shock during the severe thunder shower Thursday evening, as she was about retiring. Her chamber window being open, there came a very vivid flash of lightning followed by a tremendous report. She felt a severe slap on the shoulder which produced pain, and extreme weakness, and a strange feeling in the head which lasted considerable time. No other damage visible.—Democrat.

"I'll be ready when you call."

Don't wait a moment, manna, I will only come when you call.

That divides our little garden, From the field of grasses tall, There among the snow white daisies, Busy weaving daisy petals—

"I'll be ready when you call."

I could hear the hum of insects, On the fragrant, summer breeze, While the distant ripened wheat fields Swayed to the east and west, and the willows sang, Nodding heads of wild sweet clover, Buttercups of golden hue, Like the stars, bestrewn the green sward, As at night the skies of blue.

And from the willows and many a vine, The river wound on in a glittering line, Every ripple a musical rhyme, Beating unceasing each measure in time.

But above the sounds of summer, Could hear across the wall, That one voice in love repeating, "I'll be ready when you call."

And the meaning of that echo, Ever in my heart has lain Leaving freshness, pure, refreshing, Like the parched earth after rain.

And I wonder what the future Will bring to my little girl, When care with such ruthless fingers, Has silvered each golden curl; That, whatever may be her fate, She may be found ready and trusting, To follow where duty may call.

Sun and over we build and make, Many a castle to stand and break— Yet as cloud pictures rest, on a clear mountain lake, We would ask, that as light, we life's changes may take.

Ivyton, Sept. 15th, 1893. ZULFA.

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